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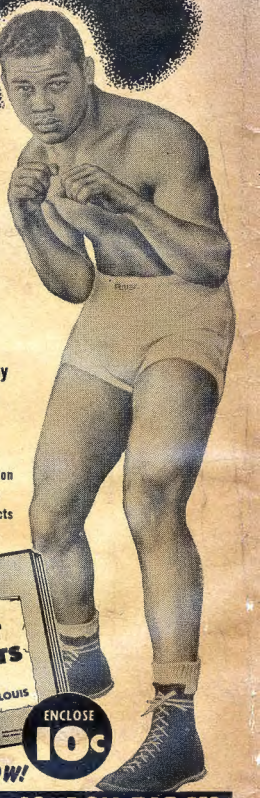

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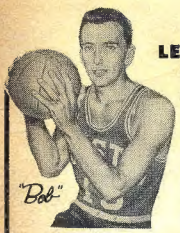

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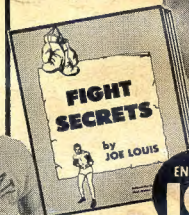

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BLAM! BAM! BLAM!
POW!
I DON'T KNOW WHO INVENTED THESE NEW-ISSUE ARMORED VESTS WE'RE WEARIN', IRON MIKE... BUT HE'S MY BUDDY FOR THE REST OF THIS LI'L LIFE OF MINE HE JUST SAVED!
YEAH, GUNNY!
WITHOUT THESE VESTS, THIS ENTIRE PATROL WOULD'VE BEEN NO MORE!
AN' WITHOUT THIS PATROL, OUR WHOLE FOX COMPANY MIGHT'VE BEEN FINISHED, IRON MIKE! LOOK DOWN THERE!
YEAH! THAT'S WHAT THAT AMBUSH PARTY DIDN'T WANT US TO SEE... A RED OUTFIT PREPARIN' FOR AN ATTACK!

WE'LL HUBBA-HUBBA BACK TO THE OUTFIT AN' SCOOP CAP'N KANE ON THIS!
YEAH! IF OUR GUYS CAN HIT THE REDS BEFORE THEY'RE READY, IT'LL FOUL UP THEIR BANZAI!
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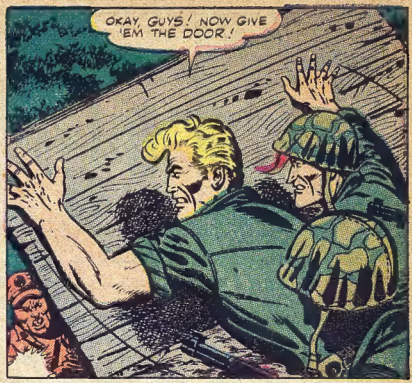
OH-OH! LOOK WHAT'S SPOTTED US!
YANKEE PATROL!
THEY'RE TAKIN' COVER IN A DITCH, BUT WE AIN'T GOT EVEN AN ANT HILL TO HIDE BEHIND HERE!
SCOOT... AN' TRY TO MAKE THAT BOMBED-OUT FARMHOUSE!
WE MADE IT!
YEAH!
BUT DON'T MAKE YOURSELVES AT HOME! WE'VE STILL GOT TO GET OUR INFO TO CAP'N KANE!
HOW, IRON MIKE... WITH THOSE REDS BETWEEN US AN' OUR LINES?
THE YANKEES MUST HAVE SEEN OUR COMPANY'S ATTACK PREPARATIONS, COMRADES, SO WE MUST KEEP THEM FROM GETTING BACK TO THEIR COMPANY WITH THE INFORMATION!
YES, COMRADE SERGEANT!
POW
POW
BAM!
BAM!
POW
IF WE TRY TO GUNG HO THOSE COMMIES OVER THIS FLAT TERRAIN, EVEN OUR ARMORED VESTS WON'T SAVE US, 'CAUSE THEY ONLY PROTECT THE UPPER HALF OF OUR BODIES!
AN' IF WE DON'T TRY TO BUST THRU, OUR OUTFIT WILL GET BUSTED WITH A SURPRISE BANZAI!

BUT WE ARE GOIN' TO BUST THRU, AN' OUR ARMORED VESTS WILL PROTECT US FROM HELMET TO HEEL!
THIS I WANT TO SEE!
OKAY! DO AS I SAY AN' YOU WILL! FIRST... RIP THAT DOOR OFF ITS LAST HINGE!
HUH?
GUNNY, YOU AN' DINKY DIG UP ALL THE NAILS YOU CAN FROM THE WOODWORKS AROUND HERE!
I WON'T ASK WHY, AS LONG AS THIS WILL GET US THRU THOSE REDS!
NOW, ALL OF YOU, PEEL OFF YOUR ARMORED VESTS! I'M GOING TO NAIL 'EM TO THIS DOOR!
FOR WHAT?
TO MAKE US A BULLET-PROOF SHIELD, BEHIND WHICH WE CAN SNEAK UP TOWARD THOSE REDS IN THAT DITCH WITHOUT GETTING HIT!
YEAH! THAT'S A TERRIFIC IDEA, IRON MIKE!
OKAY, IT'S READY! LET'S MOVE OUT! AN' KEEP BEHIND THIS DOOR, UNTIL WE GET WITHIN FIST-THROWIN' DISTANCE OF THOSE COMMIE CHARACTERS!
HA! OBSERVE THE YANKEES, COMRADE SERGEANT! THEY ADVANCE BEHIND A DOOR!
FOOLS! DO THEY THINK THAT WILL STOP OUR BULLETS!
POW POW POW
BLAM! BAM!



AN HOUR LATER, FOX COMPANY WAS THERE AND READY FOR COMBAT ACTION...

LIKE A MIGHTY VISE, THE PLATOONS OF FOX COMPANY CLOSED IN ON THE SURPRISED ENEMY, CAUGHT IN THE CONFUSION OF THEIR PREPARATIONS...

...AND THIS VICTORY PROVES THAT WE COULD NOT WIN BATTLES WITHOUT RIFLES, HELMETS AND ARMORED VESTS!
YOU CAN ADD ONE MORE THING TO THAT LIST, CAP'N... IRON MIKE McGRAW!
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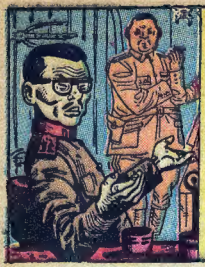

Intelligence Officer

A THOUSAND yards ahead and down in the lush green valley were the American lines, rock-ribbed and unbreakable. Strung out on both sides of them were infiltration units, adopting every tactic the enemy had conceived and some they hadn't. From a distance of several miles behind the front, artillery boomed, hurtling shells over both battle lines to the reserves deep in the rear. Planes, overhead, spied out gun emplacements of both sides when they could, radioed messages back. A moment later a bombardment would begin, roll to a thundering climax and then subside.

Ugami-San, Lieutenant-Colonel in the army of Japan, knew that the American lines were grinding closer to his own. He realized they had been doing this for months and that it was highly improbable the Japanese forces could hold out on the island. One thought comforted him; there were plenty of islands behind them to which to retire, a good deal of space between the front and Japan.

The lieutenant-colonel swaggered down to the brook where the kitchens and supply depots were, his sharp eyes noting signs of unmilitary sloppiness which he mentally noted to deal with later. He breathed the morning air in deeply. This was a good deal better than rusting away in a government building in Tokyo, correlating and interpreting intelligence reports from all over the world. He sighed. It had taken months of pestering Colonel-General Natoya to persuade him to release Ugami-San to the fighting front. But it had been done . . . and here he was at last.

He barked a few orders, enjoying the sight of the soldiers scurrying to do his bidding, cleaning up sloppily piled stores, putting boxes in order. From down toward the front the thunder of an artillery barrage began again. Perhaps, he thought, the Americans would try a breakthrough. Then he could lead his men into battle.

In the rear a staff car could be heard, roaring down the road from the rear. It coincided with a vigorous deepening of the bombardment. Shouts, dimly heard from afar indicated that the Americans were attacking in force. Soldiers, automatically jumping to their guns began lining up. This was the moment. He put his hand on his sword, but at that very moment the staff car hurtled into the very center of the camp. A captain jumped out, ran over to him and saluted, handing him a chit.

"Orders from headquarters, sir," the captain said. "An immediate answer, please." He repeated the special code word that indicated urgency and the Lieutenant-Colonel frowned, taking the chit and opening it.

His frown deepened as he read it through. Briefly told, the message ordered him to return at once to Tokyo by fast airplane and report to Colonel-General Natoya on a matter of supreme importance. And below the General's name was again repeated the special code word that meant extreme urgency.

Ugami-San hesitated only a moment. He was a loyal son of the Empire, used to obedience, and his disappointment was covered by an imperturbable mask.

"Major Hattanu!" he barked.

An officer detached himself from a group of men that had lined up for inspection and came running up.

"Major Hattanu," he said, "you will take over the command."

Hattanu nodded, wheeled, barked his own orders. A moment later, two files of soldiers were moving down the road toward the front to meet the expected American attack.

To dispose of his command affairs took only ten minutes. Within a quarter of an hour, Ugami-San was speeding in the staff car by the captain's side back to the distant airfield.

Two hours later, he was airborne. The plane hopped quickly north toward Tokyo. In the early hours of the morning it dipped toward the airfield at Tokyo, rolled to a stop. A staff car was waiting. Without waiting to refresh himself, Ugami-San was hurried at high speed from the airfield all the way

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OKAY, SARGE, SO I'M NEW IN THIS OUTFIT... BUT IF THE FAMOUS BAZOOKAMAN BROWN AN' HIS STOVE-PIPE IS SO TERRIFIC, WHY DOESN'T HE ERASE THAT JAP PILLBOX THAT'S GOT US NAILED DOWN?
HE WILL, ERNIE... AS SOON AS HE GETS HIS LAUNCHER SET UP! HE AND THAT BAZOOKA CAN DO ANYTHIN'!
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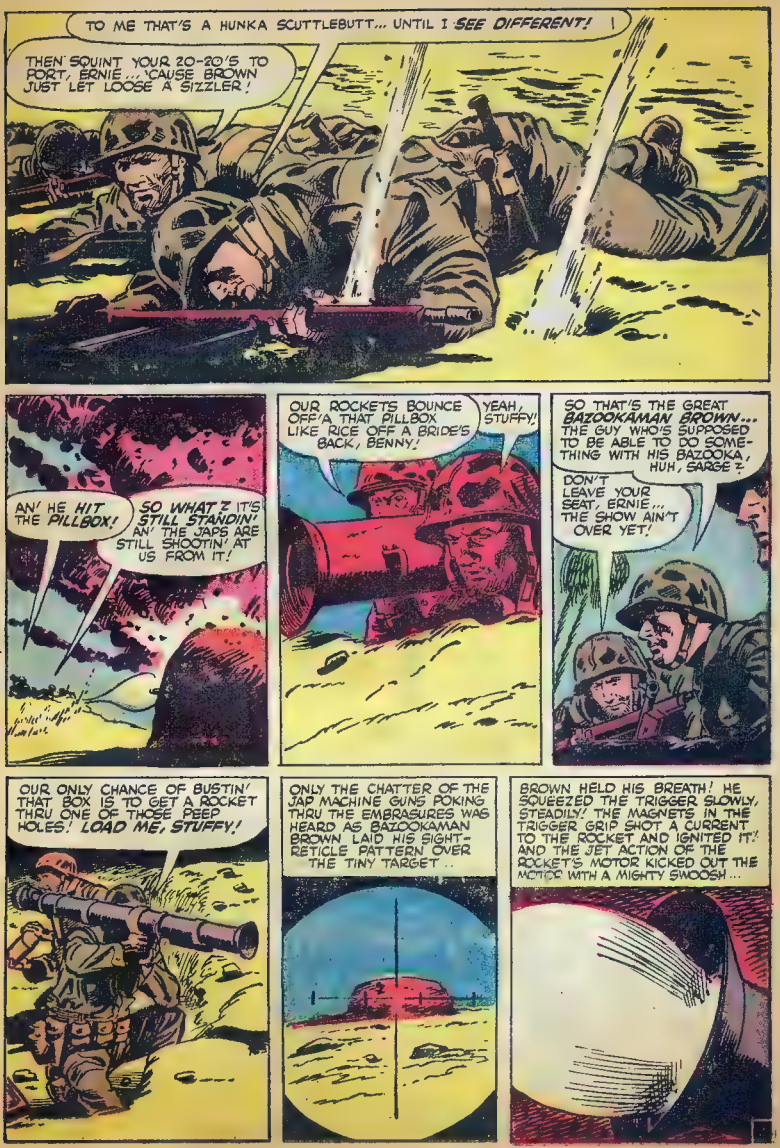
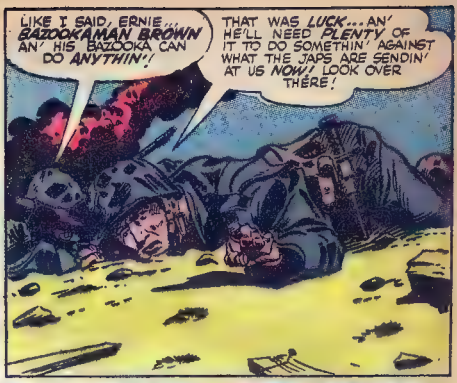
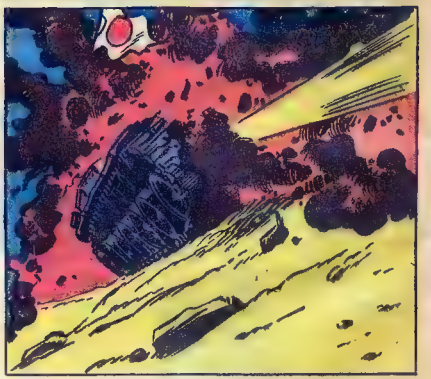
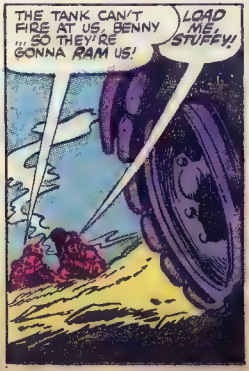

TO ME THAT'S A HUNKA SCUTTLEBUTT... UNTIL I SEE DIFFERENT!
THEN SQUINT YOUR 20-20'S TO PORT, ERNIE... 'CAUSE BROWN JUST LET LOOSE A SIZZLER!
AN' HE HIT THE PILLBOX!
SO WHAT? IT'S STILL STANDIN' AN' THE JAPS ARE STILL SHOOTIN' AT US FROM IT!
OUR ROCKETS BOUNCE OFF'A THAT PILLBOX LIKE RICE OFF A BRIDE'S BACK, BENNY.
YEAH, STUFFY!
SO THAT'S THE GREAT BAZOOKAMAN BROWN... THE GUY WHO'S SUPPOSED TO BE ABLE TO DO SOMETHING WITH HIS BAZOOKA, HUH, SARGE?
DON'T LEAVE YOUR SEAT, ERNIE... THE SHOW AIN'T OVER YET!
OUR ONLY CHANCE OF BUSTIN' THAT BOX IS TO GET A ROCKET THRU ONE OF THOSE PEEP HOLES! LOAD ME, STUFFY!
ONLY THE CHATTER OF THE JAP MACHINE GUNS POKING THRU THE EMBRASURES WAS HEARD AS BAZOOKAMAN BROWN LAID HIS SIGHT-RETICLE PATTERN OVER THE TINY TARGET..
BROWN HELD HIS BREATH! HE SQUEEZED THE TRIGGER SLOWLY, STEADILY! THE MAGNETS IN THE TRIGGER GRIP SHOT A CURRENT TO THE ROCKET AND IGNITED IT! AND THE JET ACTION OF THE ROCKET'S MOTOR KICKED OUT THE MOTOR WITH A MIGHTY SWOOSH...


LIKE I SAID, ERNIE... BAZOOKAMAN BROWN AN' HIS BAZOOKA CAN DO ANYTHIN'!
THAT WAS LUCK... AN' HE'LL NEED PLENTY OF IT TO DO SOMETHIN' AGAINST WHAT THE JAPS ARE SENDIN' AT US NOW! LOOK OVER THERE!

TWO TANKS STRAIGHT AHEAD COMIN' TO GET US, BENNY!
LOAD ME, STUFFY!



STOP THAT YANKEE BAZOOKAMAN, GUNNER!
WE ARE TOO CLOSE, LIEUTENANT! OUR TANK GUN CANNOT BE LOWERED ANY MORE!


THE TANK CAN'T FIRE AT US, BENNY ... SO THEY'RE GONNA RAM US!
LOAD ME, STUFFY!

COOL AND STEADY, BAZOOKAMAN BROWN POINTED HIS LAUNCHER AT THE APPROACHING TANK ... THEN HE LET LOOSE EIGHT POUNDS OF H. E. A. T.*...
*HIGH EXPLOSIVE ANTI-TANK ROCKET

OUT OF YOUR HOLES, MARINES... AND INTO THE JUNGLE! THERE ARE PLENTY OF JAPS LEFT ON THIS HUNK OF CORAL!
YOU NEED ANY MORE CONVINCIN', ERNIE, THAT BAZOOKAMAN BROWN AN' HIS BAZOOKA CAN DO ANYTHIN'!
YEAH! I WANNA SEE WHAT HE'D DO IN A REAL TOUGH SPOT!
LOVE COMPANY DIDN'T PULL A BLITZ, BUT THEY WEREN'T LETTING COCONUTS GROW UNDER THEIR COMBAT BOOTS EITHER! THEIR ADVANCE THRU THE TANGLED AND SNIPER-FILLED JUNGLE WAS SLOW.. BUT STEADY...
BUT ON THE FIFTH DAY, THEY GOT STOPPED BY A BARRAGE OF GUNFIRE FROM A JAP-FILLED BUNKER CARVED OUT OF CORAL ON TOP OF A SKY SCRAPER CLIFF!
SERGEANT! GET THE GRAPPLING HOOKS!
YES, SIR!
BUT AS THE MARINES STARTED TO SCALE THE STEEP CLIFF WALL, THE JAPS CAME OUT OF THEIR BUNKER AND DROPPED GRENADES DOWN ON THEM...
IT'S NO DEAL, CAP'N BUT I'LL BET BAZOOKAMAN BROWN AN' HIS BAZOOKA CAN FLUSH OUT THOSE JAPS!
I CAN TRY, SIR!
BROWN'S BAZOOKA FIRED AND FLASHED...IT WOOSHED AND ROARED!

HE TRIED EVERY TRICK HE KNEW WITH HIS LAUNCHER... BUT THEY ALL HAD THE SAME EFFECT ON THE BUNKER...
THIS STRONGHOLD IS IMPREGNABLE! NO WEAPON THE YANKEES POSSESS CAN DESTROY IT!
AND AS LONG AS WE HOLD THIS PLACE... WE HOLD THE ATOLL!
BROWN'S ROCKETS ARE TOO BIG TO GET THRU THOSE RIFLE HOLES UP THERE, SARGE... SO YOU SEE, WHEN HE'S UP AGAINT A TOUGH DETAIL, HE AN' HIS BAZOOKA CAN'T DO NOTHIN'!
THE GUYS DUG IN! THEY FIGURED IT WOULD BE A LONG WAIT, BECAUSE IF BROWN COULDN'T RIP A TARGET APART... NO ONE COULD! NIGHT CAME.. AND WITH IT ... RAIN...
HEY, STUFFY! BESIDES THE RAIN, WHAT DO YOU HEAR?
...LISTEN.
WATER, LIKE RUNNIN' FROM A DRAIN PIPE!
AN' HERE IT IS! WATER MUST SEEP INTO THE JAP BUNKER UP THERE, AN' THEY HAD THIS DRAIN PIPE BUILT TO DRAIN IT. TOO BAD IT AIN'T BIG ENOUGH FOR US TO CRAWL THRU AND UP INTO THEIR BUNKER!
IT AIN'T TOO SMALL FOR A BAZOOKA ROCKET TO GET THRU, STUFFY!
LOAD ME, HUBBA-HUBBA!
BENNY PRESSED THE LIP OF HIS BAZOOKA TO THE MOUTH OF THE DRAINAGE PIPE... AND THEN PRESSED THE TRIGGER...
A SHATTERING SECOND LATER, THE JAP FORTRESS UP ABOVE, BLEW ITS TOP...
THEN UP WENT THE GYRENE GRAPPLING HOOKS AND THE MARINES SWARMED UP THE SIDE OF THE CLIFF LIKE FLIES UP A WALL...
IT WAS EASY ENOUGH TO ROUND UP THE SURPRISED AND STUNNED JAPS...
WHAT HAPPENED?
WE'LL GIVE YOU THE SCOOP, COLONEL... AS SOON AS WE GET YOU SETTLED BEHIND SOME BARBED WIRE!
AND WHEN THE GYRENES OF THE 3RD PLATOON, LOVE COMPANY INVADED THE NEXT ATOLL...
YOU'RE NEW IN THIS OUTFIT, GYRENE, SO I'LL SQUARE YOU AWAY! THAT'S BAZOOKAMAN BROWN OVER THERE... AN HE AND HIS BAZOOKA CAN DO ANYTHING!
OH, YEAH?
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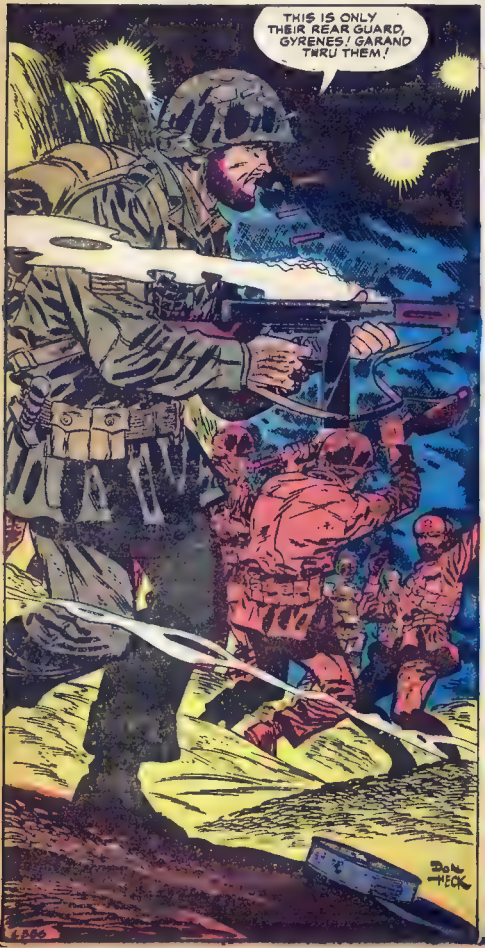


AGAIN THE YANKEE MARINES BREAK THRU MY REAR GUARD, COMRADE COLONEL! I CANNOT HOLD OUT MUCH LONGER, UNLESS I GET MORE TROOPS!
THEY WILL START FROM MANCHURIA AT ONCE, MAJOR MUNG!

THERE THEY GO, CAP'N WILSON... ON THE LAM AGAIN! IF THEY'D STAND LONG ENOUGH FOR US TO GET ONE SLAM AT 'EM, WE COULD KNOCK 'EM OUT!
WE'LL HEAVE THAT PUNCH TOMORROW, SARGE!
IT'S GETTING DARK, SO WE'LL FOXHOLE HERE AND GET READY TO THROW AN ALL-OUT ATTACK AT DAWN!
BEG PARDON, CAPTAIN WILSON... IS THERE SOMETHING I CAN DO NOW?
NEGATIVE, DUGAN! BUT I'LL LET YOU KNOW, WHEN SOMETHING COMES UP!
THANK YOU, SIR!
WHAT'S WITH YOU, "DEMO" DUGAN? AFTER EVERY PATROL AND EVERY ATTACK, FROM PUSAN TO THE 38TH, YOU'VE ASKED THE CAP'N THE SAME QUESTION!
LOOK, SARGE... FOR SIX MONTHS BACK IN THE STATES, I WENT TO THE EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE DISPOSAL SCHOOL IN MARYLAND TO LEARN HOW TO DISARM BOMBS, SHELLS, AND MINES... SO NOW I'M AN EXPERT AT IT!
BUT EVER SINCE I'VE BEEN WITH THIS OUTFIT IN KOREA, NOBODY HAS EVER ASKED ME TO DO ANY OF THOSE THINGS, AN' IT MAKES ME FEEL USELESS!
YOU WANNA BE USEFUL, "DEMO"? HERE... DIG MY FOXHOLE FOR ME!
AND THAT NIGHT, WHILE THE MARINES SLEPT IN THEIR FOXHOLES, THE REDS WORKED QUICKLY AND SILENTLY IN A WHEAT FIELD, IN THE VALLEY UP AHEAD...
IT IS DONE, COMRADE MAJOR!
NOW WE WILL WAIT FOR THE SUN TO RISE... AND WHEN THE YANKEES TRY TO CONTINUE THEIR ADVANCE, THEY WILL LEARN THAT THEY CANNOT MAKE US RUN ANY MORE!

WHEN THE SUN WAS HALF OUT OF THE HORIZON, KING COMPANY'S ADVANCE TOOK UP WHERE IT LEFT OFF THE NIGHT BEFORE...

NO REDS, NO GUNFIRE, AS THEY MOVED AHEAD AND INTO THE VALLEY! BUT ON THE LIP OF THE WHEAT FIELD, THE "POINT" OF THE ADVANCE SIGNALED FOR A HALT...

MINE FIELD!

AN' FROM THE WAY THE WHEAT IS TRAMPLED DOWN, CAP'N, THIS ENTIRE VALLEY MUST BE PAVED WITH MINES!

TIME IS WHAT THE REDS NEED... TIME TO GET REINFORCEMENTS... AND THIS IS THEIR WAY TO STALL US!

THE WORD MINE FIELD PASSED FROM PLATOON TO PLATOON, FROM SQUAD TO SQUAD, FROM MARINE TO MARINE, AND WHEN "DEMO" DUGAN HEARD IT, HE CAME GALLOPING FROM THE REAR TO THE CAPTAIN!

NOW, CAPTAIN WILSON? NOW YOU DO NEED ME, HUH?

I'M AN EXPERT "DISPOSALEER," SIR! I GRADUATED FROM INDIAN HEAD! IT'S ON MY RECORD! I CAN DISARM ANYTHING!

OKAY, DUGAN... OKAY!

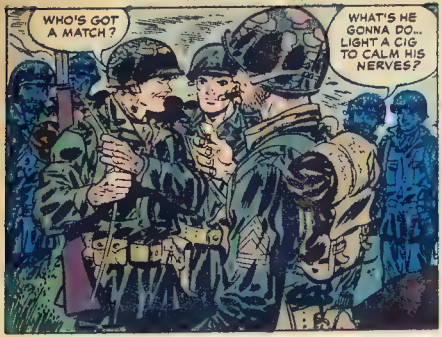
I DON'T DOUBT YOU'RE AN EXPERT, DUGAN, BUT YOU'RE ONLY ONE MAN AND THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF MINES OUT THERE! IT'D TAKE YOU A MONTH TO EVEN CLEAR US A PATH THRU THAT MINE FIELD!

NEGATIVE, SIR!

I CAN CLEAR THAT ENTIRE AREA IN LESS THAN A HALF-HOUR!

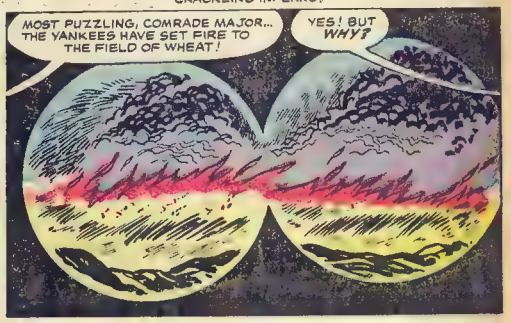
HUH? THIS I'VE GOT TO SEE, DUGAN!

EVERY GYRENE EYE IN *KING COMPANY* WAS FOCUSED ON DUGAN, THE EXPERT "DISPOSALEER!" THE GRADUATE OF THE INDIAN HEAD SCHOOL! THIS WAS THE MOMENT HE HAD STUDIED AND WAITED FOR...

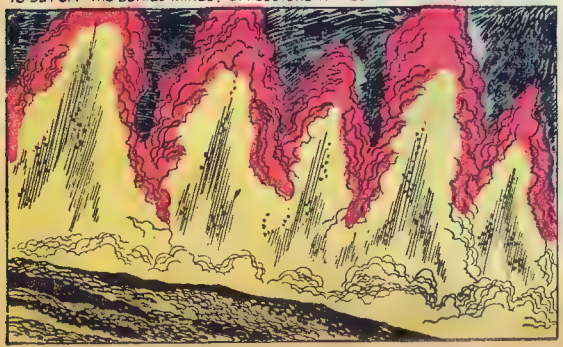


THE PUZZLED MARINES WATCHED, AS THE WHEAT STARTED TO BURN AND DUGAN BLEW OUT THE MATCH WITH AN AIR OF CONFIDENCE...

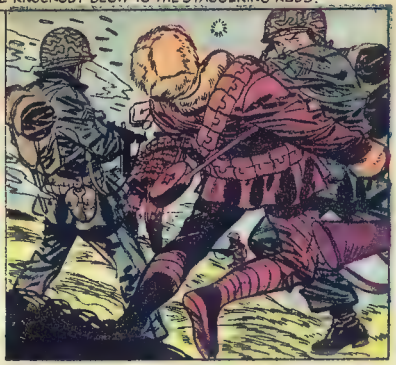
THEN THE WIND SNATCHED UP THE FLAMES AT THE EDGE OF THE WHEAT FIELD AND SCATTERED THEM! SUDDENLY, THE ENTIRE AREA WAS A CRACKLING INFERNO!



AND THEN EVERYBODY GOT THE ANSWER AT THE SAME TIME, AS THE HEAT FROM THE BURNING WHEAT STARTED TO SET OFF THE BURIED MINES! EXPLOSIONS RIPPED AND ROCKED THE GROUND... AND "DEMO" DUGAN SMILED...



AFTER THE FIRE HAD BLOWN AND CLEARED THE MINE FIELD, KING COMPANY MOVED UP TO DELIVER THE KNOCKOUT BLOW TO THE STAGGERING REDS!

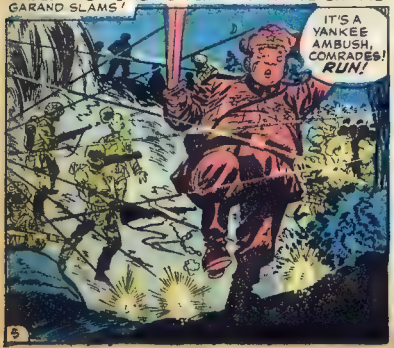


THE ENEMY REINFORCEMENTS DIDN'T ARRIVE ON TIME, AND THE REDS DIDN'T WIN THE BATTLE...

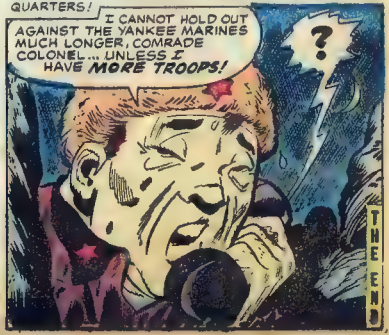
TAKE A SQUAD AND MOVE THE PRISONERS TO THE REAR, LIEUTENANT! THE REST OF US WILL DIG IN HERE AND WAIT FOR THOSE RED REINFORCEMENTS!
YES, SIR!

AND THEN CAME THE RED TROOPS MAJOR MUNG HAD REQUESTED...

AND KING COMPANY CAME OUT OF ITS CORNER AND WADED INTO ITS NEW OPPONENT WITH PULVERIZING GARAND SLAMS!



THE COMMIES RAN AND KING COMPANY WENT AFTER THEM! THAT NIGHT, THE COMMANDER OF THE *NEW* RED OUTFIT MADE A FRANTIC CALL TO HIS HEADQUARTERS!



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A CITY AT STAKE!

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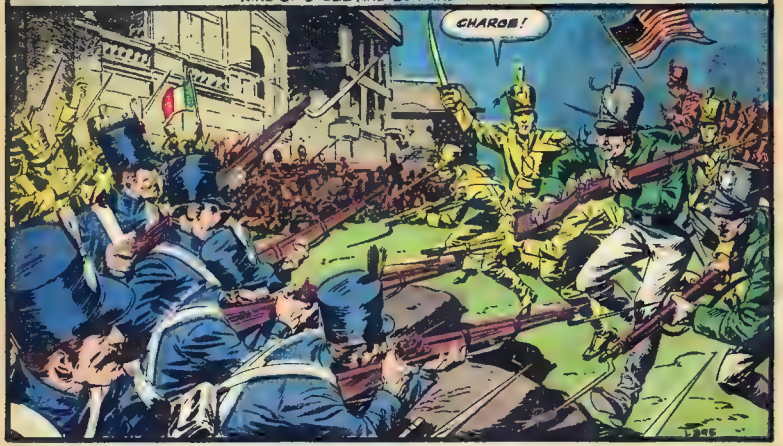
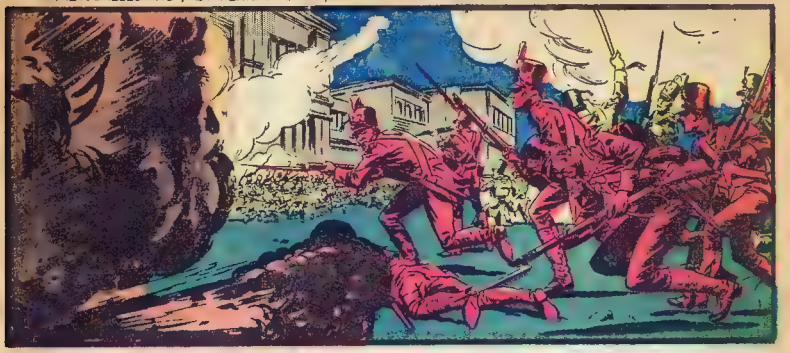


AS THE *U.S. MARINES* CHARGED, THE MEXICAN ARMY DEFENDERS ROSE LIKE A GIANT SEA WAVE IN THEIR BLUE UNIFORMS, AND THEIR ESCOPETAS* BLAZED AWAY AT THE AMERICAN ATTACK! THE BATTLE WAS FURIOUS AN ENTIRE CITY WAS AT STAKE!

THE MEXICAN ARMY WALL OF TROOPS HELD THE U.S. MARINE ATTACK... AND THE MEXICAN CANNONS FROM WITHIN THE CITY FLUNG THEIR SHELLS INTO THE AMERICAN RANKS, AS THEY TRIED TO MAKE A HOLE IN THE MEXICAN DEFENSE...

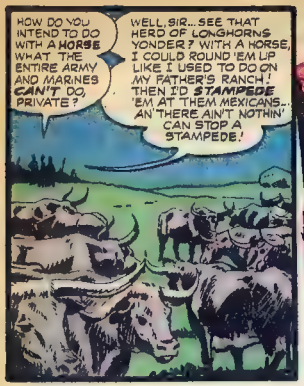


WITH CANNON BURSTS FOLLOWING AFTER THEM, THE AMERICANS RETREATED ACROSS THE OPEN PLAINS...

WE CANNOT TAKE THE CITY WITHOUT TAKING THE CANNONS... AND WE CANNOT TAKE THE CANNONS UNLESS WE BREAK THAT MEXICAN INFANTRY DEFENSE LINE!
BUT *HOW*, SIR? THOSE SAME CANNONS PREVENT US FROM REACHING THE INFANTRY!

IT APPEARS WE ARE UP AGAINST A MOST HOPELESS SITUATION, S.R.!
NO SITUATION IS HOPELESS TO A MARINE! THERE MUST BE A WAY TO BREAK THAT LINE!

AT THAT MOMENT, A MARINE PRIVATE FROM TEXAS, WHO HAD BEEN LISTENING, SPOKE UP...


HOW DO YOU INTEND TO DO WITH A HORSE WHAT THE ENTIRE ARMY AND MARINES CAN'T DO, PRIVATE?
WELL, SIR... SEE THAT HERD OF LONGHORNS YONDER? WITH A HORSE, I COULD ROUND 'EM UP LIKE I USED TO DO ON MY FATHER'S RANCH! THEN I'D STAMPEDE 'EM AT THEM MEXICANS... AN' THERE AIN'T NOTHIN' CAN STOP A STAMPEDE!

EVERYBODY WATCHED AS THE TEXAN ROUNDED UP THE HERD OF LONGHORNS! THEN HE POINTED THEM TOWARD THE CITY...AN' LET OUT A WAR CRY...

THE MEXICAN TROOPS FIRED AT THE AVALANCHE OF LONGHORNED CATTLE CHARGING TOWARD THEM... BUT AS THE TEXAS MARINE HAD SAID..."NOTHING COULD STOP A STAMPEDE!"

THE RAMROD OF CATTLE SMASHED THRU THE MEXICAN LINE, AND IN THE CLOUD OF DUST BEHIND THE LONGHORNS, CAME THE U.S. MARINES...

INSIDE THE CITY, THE BATTLE FOR THE CANNONS RAGED... AND ONE BY ONE THE MEXICAN ARTILLERY WAS TAKEN BY THE AMERICANS..

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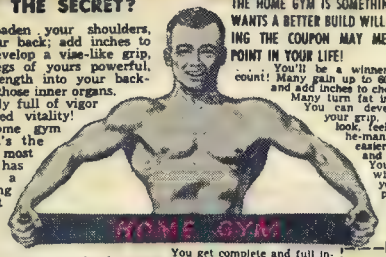

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to the center of Tokyo and conducted to the Intelligence headquarters.

An escort met him at the end of a corridor and led him to the office of the Colonel-General. A door opened before him and banged closed as he stepped through. Inside was a haze of cigar smoke, and at a desk, the short, rotund figure of General Natoya. He glanced up as the door closed behind Ugami-San and smiled.

"I had to call you back," he said. "I was a fool to let you go. Action!" The General chuckled thinly. "An activity for fools. Here you were safe, my best Intelligence officer . . ."

"I hope you've brought me back for a good purpose, General," Ugami-San said, crisply.

"Sit down. I have," Natoya said. He rummaged in his desk, brought out two files. Then he lit another cigar, leaned back and regarded Ugami-San with set eyes.

"The war goes badly," he said. "There is still hope, but only if we can be sure the Americans do not know what they are doing." He tapped the files. "In these files I have reports of two separate matters. Apparently two projects are going forward. We have been unable to discover their nature." Once more he tapped the files. "You are the best evaluator of Intelligence information Japan ever had. Here is every scrap of information that can be gathered. You have forty-eight hours to bring me back a report."

Ugami-San took the files, saluted and left. He was driven across Tokyo to his home on the outskirts of the city.

On the morning of August 6th, 1945, he arrived at the General's headquarters at six in the morning. He had to wait only a few minutes. Then he was once more conducted to Natoya's office. Entering, he saluted and sat down.

"You have brought the evaluations?" Natoya said.

Ugami-San nodded, taking a sheet of paper from the briefcase.

"The first was more difficult. Apparently the Americans have some idea that they can bomb Tokyo with bats."

"Bats?" Natoya asked in astonishment.

"To burn Tokyo to the ground. Possibly using bats with incendiary tubes attached to their bodies. Bats are fond of the dark. Released from a bomber, they would seek shelter under the eaves of our wooden buildings; then the incendiary bomb would go off and burn the building to the ground."

"Nonsense!" Natoya said. "A fantastic idea. What about the other?"

"They are working on atomic energy release, possibly on some form of bomb. Our allies, the Germans, started research on something like this, as we know."

"But the Germans got nowhere with their research!"

"Correct." Ugomi-San nodded. "I would place no credence in the report, even if it is correct. The Germans are excellent scientists. If *they* could get nowhere with atomic energy, how could the Americans do anything with it?" He rose, smiling, held out his hand.

"Yes, it is obvious the Americans are wasting their time," the General said. "Either that or they have all gone crazy! Bats! Atomic bombs! Ho-ho-ho!" He shook Ugami-San's hand cordially. "You have performed splendid work for us, Colonel, for we no longer need be afraid. As a reward, you may return to the fighting front . . . but only after you have had a sufficient vacation in which to rest." He grinned. "I have a small summer house in Hiroshima; you must go there. . ." He broke off as an orderly entered, trembling. "Well?"

"The telephone, general!" the orderly gasped. "Emergency telephone from the outskirts of Hiroshima!"

Natoya picked up the phone, listened, then turned a pasty white.

"You spoke of a summer house at Hiroshima?" Ugami-San asked in a bored voice. "It is a fine idea. I shall rest at Hiroshima!"

The General stammered. "An . . . an atomic bomb! Hiroshima is no longer there!"

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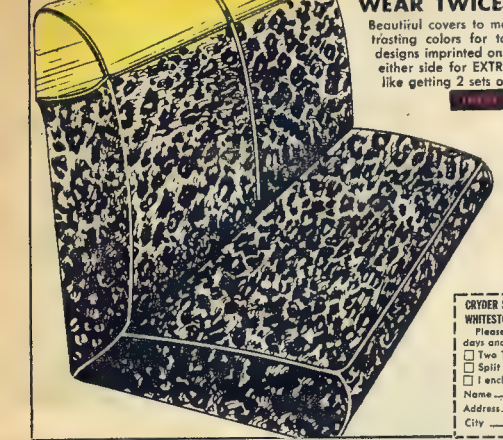

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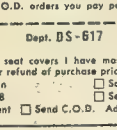

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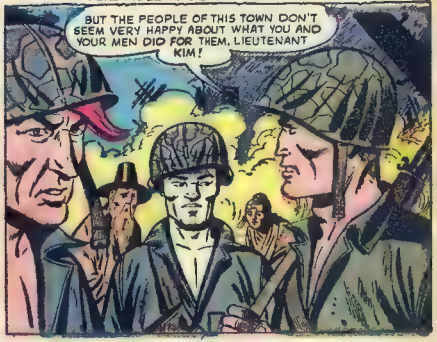
YEAH, 'IRON MIKE'
LOOK AT THE WAY LIEUTENANT KIM IS WADIN' INTO THOSE REDS!
ANYTHING HE DOES TO THOSE COMMIES WILL BE TOO LITTLE, AFTER WHAT **THEY** DID TO HIS FOLKS!
IT APPEARS WE WERE MISTAKEN ABOUT THE SOUTH KOREAN TROOPS WHICH THE YANKEE MARINES TRAINED, COMRADE MAJOR! THEY FIGHT WITH THE FURY OF DRAGONS!
BUT THEY WILL BECOME MEEK, WHEN, WITH MY PLAN, I WILL FORCE THEM TO SURRENDER OR ELSE...!

SIDE BY SIDE, THE LEATHERNECKS AND THE **SOUTH KOREAN** SOLDIERS FOUGHT AGAINST THE ENEMY! THEY DROVE THE REDS OUT OF THE HOMES AND THE CELLARS OFF THE ROOF TOPS AND OFF THE STREETS OF **HOIYANG**...

THE REDS COULDN'T STOP THAT **FOX COMPANY** COMBAT COMBINATION, AND THE COMMIES RETREATED INTO THE HILLS BEYOND THE TOWN...

THE **ROK** TROOPS WERE PROUD, FOR THEY HAD PROVEN TO THE REDS, THE MARINES, THEIR OWN PEOPLE... AND TO THEMSELVES, THAT THEY WERE INDEED **NO.1** SOLDIERS NOW!



WHEN THEY FINISHED TALKING, THERE WAS SILENCE, AND THE KOREAN PEOPLES' SADNESS WAS NOW LIEUTENANT KIM'S SADNESS ALSO...

OR ELSE, WHAT?
THAT, DOO SOO THE ELDER WILL TELL US AT SUNSET, IRON MIKE!
AN WHO IS 'DOO SOO THE ELDER'?
A KOREAN LEGEND AND SYMBOL, LIKE YOUR UNCLE SAM. IRON MIKE ONLY OUR DOO SOO IS ALIVE! THIS WAS HIS HOME. AND THE REDS TOOK HIM AWAY WHEN THEY RETREATED!
DOO SOO IS ALL WISE, ALL GOOD... AND NO KOREAN WOULD DO ANY-THING TO DISPLEASE HIM! WHATEVER DOO SOO TELLS US AT SUNSET, WE WILL DO, FOR HIS WISDOM IS WITHOUT QUESTION!
THE LOUDSPEAKER IS SET UP, COMRADE MAJOR. AND THE SUN BEGINS TO SET!
THEN IT IS TIME FOR DOO SOO TO SPEAK TO THE SOUTH KOREANS WHO OCCUPY HOIYANG!
SPEAK IN THE YANKEE LANGUAGE ALSO, DOO SOO, SO THE AMERICANS WILL UNDERSTAND... AND SAY ONLY WHAT I INSTRUCTED YOU TO SAY! UNDER-STAND?
YES, MAJOR!
WHAT IF DOO SOO TELLS YOUR MEN NOT TO FIGHT, LIEUTENANT KIM? WILL THEY OBEY?
DOO SOO'S WISDOM IS THE WISDOM OF KOREA, CAPTAIN! WHATEVER HE TELLS US TO DO, WILL BE FOR THE GOOD OF OUR COUNTRY!
LISTEN, CAPTAIN... DOO SOO THE ELDER SPEAKS!
SOUTH KOREANS! SURRENDER OR ELSE...!

I REPEAT, SOUTH KOREANS... SURRENDER OR ELSE THE MIGHTY COMMUNIST REINFORCEMENTS WHICH ARRIVED HERE, AND WHICH I SEE WITH MY OWN EYES, WILL CRUSH YOU! HUNDREDS OF GIANT GUNS AND TANKS, AND TROOPS MORE PLENTIFUL THAN RICE STALKS IN THE PADDIES, ARE PREPARED TO STRIKE!

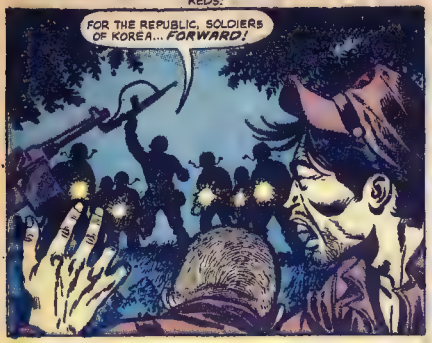
DO NOT FALTER NOW, DOO SOO! TELL THEM THE REST!
IF YOU SURRENDER, THE COMMUNISTS WILL WELCOME YOU AS BROTHERS! THERE IS MUCH FOOD HERE, AND CLOTHING AND MEDICAL CARE... I KNOW, BECAUSE I HAVE SEEN IT!

AND AS SURE AS I HAVE SEEN ALL THESE THINGS HERE, I BELIEVE IT IS FOR THE GOOD OF KOREA THAT ALL OF YOU COME FORWARD AND SURRENDER!

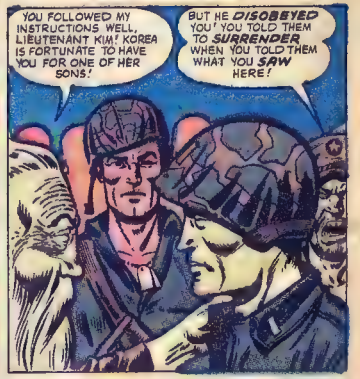
COMRADE MAJOR! YOUR PLAN SUCCEEDS! THE SOUTH KOREANS COME TO SURRENDER!
OF COURSE! THEY DARE NOT DOUBT THE WISDOM OF THEIR LIVING LEGEND... DOO SOO THE ELDER!

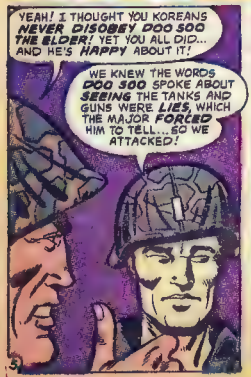
WORDLESSLY, THE U.S. MARINES WATCHED AS THE TWO SOUTH KOREAN PLATOONS MOVED OUT OF TOWN AND INTO THE DARKNESS ACROSS THE PADDIES TOWARD THE HILLS, WHERE THE COMMUNISTS WAITED EAGERLY FOR THEIR SURRENDER...

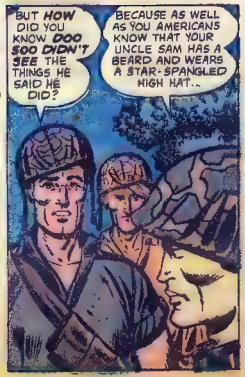
But when the South Korean platoons reached the Red hill positions, they uncovered their rifles and charged into the reds!



The ROK's heard the Red major, but they fought on! And then, from the flanks, came the two platoons of United States Marines!


YOU FOLLOWED MY INSTRUCTIONS WELL, LIEUTENANT KIM! KOREA IS FORTUNATE TO HAVE YOU FOR ONE OF HER SONS!
BUT HE DISOBEYED YOU! YOU TOLD THEM TO SURRENDER WHEN YOU TOLD THEM WHAT YOU SAW HERE!


YEAH! I THOUGHT YOU KOREANS NEVER DISOBEY DOO SOO THE ELDER! YET YOU ALL DID... AND HE'S HAPPY ABOUT IT!
WE KNEW THE WORDS DOO SOO SPOKE ABOUT SEEING THE TANKS AND GUNS WERE LIES, WHICH THE MAJOR FORCED HIM TO TELL... SO WE ATTACKED!


BUT HOW DID YOU KNOW DOO SOO DIDN'T SEE THE THINGS HE SAID HE DID?
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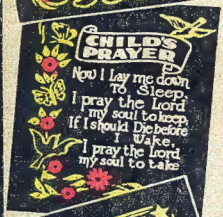
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